

**NOTICE OF PRESIDENTIAL AND GENERAL ELECTION
AND SAMPLE BALLOTS
NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

OFFICE OF THE BARRON COUNTY CLERK
TO THE ELECTORS OF BARRON COUNTY:

Notice is hereby given of a general election to be held in the several wards in the County of Barron, on the 6th day of November, 2012, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other designation, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO ELECTORS

Upon entering the polling place, an elector shall state his or her name and address and sign the poll book before being permitted to vote. Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the elector shall retire alone to a voting booth or machine and cast his or her ballot, except that an elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward. An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Where **paper** ballots are used, the elector shall make a cross (**X**) in the square at the right of the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the elector shall write in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the elector shall make a cross (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall make a cross (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where an **optical scan** system is used, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the elector shall write in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote, and fill in the oval or connect the arrow on the write-in line. On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where **touch screen** voting systems are used, the elector shall touch the screen next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the elector shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen next to "no" if opposed to the question.

An elector must cast a vote for President and Vice President jointly on one ticket. To vote for persons whose names do not appear on the ballot, write in the names of individuals for both offices on the lines provided. A write-in vote for only a vice presidential candidate will not be counted.

The vote should not be cast in any other manner. Not more than five minutes time shall be allowed inside a voting booth. Unofficial ballots or a memorandum to assist the elector in marking his or her ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

If an elector spoils a **paper or optical scan** ballot, he or she shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one elector. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place. After casting his or her vote, the elector shall leave the voting booth, properly deposit the ballot, and promptly leave the polling place.

The elector may spoil a **touch screen** ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

After an official **paper** ballot is marked, it shall be folded so that the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The elector shall then deposit his or her folded ballots in the proper ballot box or deliver the ballots to an inspector for deposit, and leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **optical scan** ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the secrecy sleeve provided so the marks do not show. The elector shall then insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve, or deposit the ballot in the ballot box or deliver it to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the elector shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve, or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official **touch screen** ballot is cast, the elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

An elector may select an individual to assist in casting his or her vote if the elector declares to the presiding official that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability is unable to cast his or her ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

DeeAnn Cook, Barron County Clerk

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR PARTISAN OFFICE

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NOTICE TO ELECTORS: THIS BALLOT MAY BE INVALID UNLESS INITIALED BY 2 ELECTION INSPECTORS. IF CAST AS AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, THE BALLOT MUST BEAR THE INITIALS OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK OR DEPUTY CLERK.

IMPORTANT: USE THE MARKING PEN PROVIDED. DO NOT USE RED INK!

To vote for the candidate of your choice, complete the arrow to the **RIGHT** of the candidate's name. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, write the person's name on the line(s) provided and complete the arrow to the **RIGHT** of the line.

When voting for president or vice president, you may vote only for the candidates on one ticket jointly or by writing in the names of persons in both spaces. A write-in vote only for a vice presidential candidate will not be counted.

SAMPLE

FEDERAL	LEGISLATIVE AND STATE
<p>PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: MITT ROMNEY ← PAUL RYAN ← </p> <p>Democratic: BARACK OBAMA ← JOE BIDEN ← </p> <p>Constitution: VIRGIL GOODE ← JIM CLYMER ← </p> <p>Libertarian Party: GARY JOHNSON ← JAMES P. GRAY ← </p> <p>Party for Socialism and Liberation: GLORIA LA RIVA ← FILBERTO RAMIREZ, JR. ← </p> <p>Socialist Equality Party: JERRY WHITE ← PHYLLIS SCHERRER ← </p> <p>Independent: JILL STEIN ← BEN MANSKI ← </p> <p>Green Party</p> <p>President: _____ ← </p> <p>Vice President: _____ write-in</p>	<p>REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 75 (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: ROGER RIVARD ← </p> <p>Democratic: STEPHEN SMITH ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p> <p>DISTRICT ATTORNEY (Vote for One)</p> <p>Democratic: ANGELA L. BERANEK ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p>
	<p>COUNTY</p>
	<p>COUNTY CLERK (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: DEEANN COOK ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p> <p>TREASURER (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: YVONNE RITCHIE ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p> <p>REGISTER OF DEEDS (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: MARGO KATTERHAGEN ← </p> <p>Democratic: JOYCE K. KASENO ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p>
<p>CONGRESSIONAL</p>	
<p>UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: TOMMY G. THOMPSON ← </p> <p>Democratic: TAMMY BALDWIN ← </p> <p>Libertarian Party: JOSEPH KEXEL ← </p> <p>Independent: NIMROD Y.U. ALLEN, III ← I.D.E.A.</p> <p>write-in: _____</p> <p>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 7 (Vote for One)</p> <p>Republican: SEAN DUFFY ← </p> <p>Democratic: PAT KREITLOW ← </p> <p>write-in: _____</p>	

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OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR PARTISAN OFFICE

NOVEMBER 6, 2012
FOR

TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE
WARD 1

TOWN OF RICE LAKE
WARDS 1-4

TOWN OF STANLEY
WARDS 1-4

TOWN OF TURTLE LAKE
WARD 1

VILLAGE OF CAMERON
WARDS 1-3

CITY OF BARRON
WARDS 1-7

CITY OF CHETEK
WARDS 1-4

CITY OF CUMBERLAND
WARDS 1-4

CITY OF RICE LAKE
WARDS 1-13

BARRON COUNTY

Ballot issued by _____

(initials of inspectors)

Absentee Ballot issued by _____

(initials of municipal clerk or deputy clerk)

Certification of Elector Assistance

I certify that the within ballot was marked by me for an elector who is authorized under the law to have assistance upon request, and as directed by the elector.

(signature of assisting individual)

SAMPLE